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TAGS: BEXP, TH
SUBJ: WTDR/FTI: THAI AIRWAYS AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE CO., LTD.
REF: USDOC WASHDC 4853

1. THAILAND
OFFICE USE: 2. 549 3. 0112000 4. 01
5. THAI AIRWAYS AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE CO., LTD.
6. 171 VIBHAVADEE RANGSIT STREET, BANGKOK AIRPORT
7. BANGKOK
8. CONTACT: GROUP CAPTAIN PREM MAHINTARATHEP
9. TITLE: MANAGING DIRECTOR
OTHER OFFICIALS ARE AIR CHIEF MARSHAL KAMRON LEELASIRI, CHAIR-
MAN, AIR CHIEF MARSHAL CANYA CHULAJATA, DIRECTOR AND AIR MARSHAL
SIRA ISRANGKURA, DIRECTOR.
10. PHONE: 5236123 11. TELEX: TH 2584
12. CABLE: THAI AM
13. ESTBL: 1967 14. EMPL: 825 15. SIZE: VERY LARGE
16. REPUTATION: Y-GOOD 17. RPT DATE: 03/78
OFFICE USE: 18. K 19. NA 20. X 21. NA 22. NA
23A. 45820/9 AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE AND SERVICING
24. FOREIGN SALES: NA
25. FINANCIAL REFS: KRUNG THAI BANK LTD., 260 YAWARAJ ROAD,
BANGKOK; THAI MILITARY BANK, AIRPORT BRANCH, BANGKOK, THAILAND.
26. TRADE REFS: SEE ITEM 27
27. FOREIGN FIRMS REPRESENTED: AGENCY REP. OF ANGLO AMERICAN
AVIATION CO., P.O. BOX 3970, NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA; IMI
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CORP., 132 SW 152 ND, P.O.BOX 66130, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON; MANCRO
AIRCRAFT CO., 7716 EAST ALONDRA BLVD., PARAMOUNT, CALIF. 90723;
TIME AVIATION SERVICES INC., USA; XL AVIONICS, USA; BOEING COM-
MERCIAL AIRPLANE, 3707 SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 98124; BENDIX CORP.,
BENDIX CENTER, SOUTHFIELD, MICHIGAN 48076; AMERICAN PLEXODAN
CO., 605 BROAD AVE., RIDGEFIELD, N.J.; AIR SYSTEMS INC.,
INC., HONG KONG; HAWKER PACIFIC LTD., HONG KONG; HELI ORIENT (PTE)

LTD., SINGAPORE; AIR STOCK, HONG KONG.

28. POST EVALUATION: THAI AIRWAYS AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE CO., LTD. (THAIAM), FORMERLY A JOINT VENTURE BETWEEN THAI AIRWAYS CO., LTD., A STATE ENTERPRISE (70 PERCENT) AND THE CONSOLIDATED AMERICAN SERVICE OF CALIFORNIA (30 PERCENT), IS NOW ENTIRELY OWNED BY THE GOVERNMENT UNDER THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE. IT WAS INCORPORATED IN 1967 WITH AN AUTHORIZED CAPITAL OF \$1,000,000 TO OPERATE AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE AND SERVICING. DURING THE INDOCHINESE WAR, THAIAM JOINED WITH THE AIR AMERICA, INC. TO PROVIDE REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES TO THE U.S. MILITARY AIRCRAFT AND EMPLOYED 3,500 PEOPLE. SINCE THE U.S. MILITARY WITHDRAWAL FROM THEILAND, FIRM HAS EMPLOYED ONLY 825 TO DO THE ROUTINE LINE WORK AND HEAVY MAINTENANCE FOR GOVERNMENTSIRCRAFT, THAI AIRWAYS AIRCRAFT AND FOR MORE THAN 30 AIRLINES USING DON MUANG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. NINETY PERCENT OF ITS IMPORTS FOR ITS OWN USE ARE FROM THE U.S. WITH THE REMAINDER FROM ENGLAND. FIRM HAS A LEASED OFFICE OF 4,240 SQ. METERS, A WORKSHOP OF 9,400 SQ. METERS AND AN AIRCRAFT PARKING AREA OF 50,000 SQ. METERS, LOCATED AT DON MUANG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, ABOUT 20 KM. FROM CENTRAL BANGKOK. IT IS NOW SEEKING A GOVERNMENT BUDGET OF \$1,000,000 PER YEAR FOR EXPANSION OF ITS ACTIVITIES BY 15 PERCENT AND FOR UPDATING ITS STANDARD OF AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE. FIRM'S SALES VOLUME IN 1977 WAS REPORTED TO BE \$5,000,000. LOCAL BANK REPORTS THAT SUBJECT FIRM HAS MAINTAINED AN ACTIVE AND WELL CONDUCTED ACCOUNT AND THAT GRANTED CREDIT FACILITIES ARE UTILIZED TO THE BANK'S SATISFACTION. IT UNCLASSIFIED

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IS CONSIDERED TO BE A GOOD TRADE CONTACT FOR U.S. FIRMS.

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